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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

This responds to the Advisory Action mailed January 21, 2005 and a phone discussion with the Examiner today. Please cancel claims 1-3 and amend claim 4 as follows in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion to specify opening motion of the valve, which would render the claims allowable.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.